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CIVIL COVER SHEET

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PLAINTIFFS

BLUE FIN TANKERS INC

DEFENDANTS

TESORO FAR EAST MARITIME COMPANY

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CAUSE OF ACTION (CITE THE U.S. CIVIL STATUTE UNDER WHICH YOU ARE FILING AND WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CAUSE)
(DO NOT CITE JURISDICTIONAL STATUTES UNLESS DIVERSITY)

Title 9 U.S.C. § 1, et seq., and § 201, et. seq. Petition to Compel Arbitration

Has this action, case, or proceeding, or one essentially the same been previously filed in SDNY at any time? No ☒ Yes ☐ Judge Previously Assigned

If yes, was this case Vol. ☐ Invol. ☐ Dismissed. No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, give date _____ & Case No. _____

IS THIS AN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CASE? No ☒ Yes ☐

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NATURE OF SUIT

TORTS		ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES			
CONTRACT	PERSONAL INJURY	PERSONAL INJURY	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
[] 110 INSURANCE	[] 310 AIRPLANE	[] 367 HEALTHCARE/	[] 625 DRUG RELATED	[] 422 APPEAL	[] 375 FALSE CLAIMS
[x] 120 MARINE	[] 315 AIRPLANE PRODUCT	PHARMACEUTICAL PERSONAL	SEIZURE OF PROPERTY	28 USC 158	[] 376 QUI TAM
[] 130 MILLER ACT	LIABILITY	[] 365 PERSONAL INJURY	21 USC 881	[] 423 WITHDRAWAL	[] 400 STATE
[] 140 NEGOTIABLE	[] 320 ASSAULT, LIBEL &	PRODUCT LIABILITY	[] 690 OTHER	28 USC 157	REAPPORTIONMENT
	INSTRUMENT	[] 368 ASBESTOS PERSONAL			[] 410 ANTITRUST
[] 150 RECOVERY OF	[] 330 FEDERAL	INJURY PRODUCT			[] 430 BANKS & BANKING
OVERPAYMENT &	EMPLOYERS'	LIABILITY			[] 450 COMMERCE
ENFORCEMENT	LIABILITY				[] 460 DEPORTATION
OF JUDGMENT	[] 340 MARINE	PERSONAL PROPERTY		PROPERTY RIGHTS	[] 470 RACKETEER INFLU-
[] 151 MEDICARE ACT	[] 345 MARINE PRODUCT	[] 370 OTHER FRAUD		[] 820 COPYRIGHTS	ENCED & CORRUPT
[] 152 RECOVERY OF	LIABILITY	[] 371 TRUTH IN LENDING		[] 830 PATENT	ORGANIZATION ACT
DEFAULTED	[] 350 MOTOR VEHICLE			[] 840 TRADEMARK	(RICO)
STUDENT LOANS	[] 355 MOTOR VEHICLE				[] 480 CONSUMER CREDIT
(EXCL VETERANS)	PRODUCT LIABILITY			SOCIAL SECURITY	[] 490 CABLE/SATELLITE TV
[] 153 RECOVERY OF	[] 360 OTHER PERSONAL	[] 380 OTHER PERSONAL	LABOR	[] 861 HIA (1395f)	[] 850 SECURITIES/
OVERPAYMENT	INJURY	PROPERTY DAMAGE	[] 710 FAIR LABOR	[] 862 BLACK LUNG (923)	COMMODITIES/
OF VETERAN'S	[] 362 PERSONAL INJURY -	PRODUCT LIABILITY	STANDARDS ACT	[] 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g))	EXCHANGE
BENEFITS	MED MALPRACTICE		[] 720 LABOR/MGMT	[] 864 SSID TITLE XVI	
[] 160 STOCKHOLDERS		PRISONER PETITIONS	RELATIONS	[] 865 RSI (405(g))	[] 890 OTHER STATUTORY
SUITS		[] 463 ALIEN DETAINEE	[] 740 RAILWAY LABOR ACT		ACTIONS
[] 190 OTHER	ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES	[] 510 MOTIONS TO	[] 751 FAMILY MEDICAL	FEDERAL TAX SUITS	[] 891 AGRICULTURAL ACTS
CONTRACT	CIVIL RIGHTS	VACATE SENTENCE	LEAVE ACT (FMLA)	[] 870 TAXES (U.S. Plaintiff or	
CONTRACT		28 USC 2255		Defendant)	[] 893 ENVIRONMENTAL
PRODUCT	[] 440 OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	[] 530 HABEAS CORPUS	[] 780 OTHER LABOR	[] 871 IRS-THIRD PARTY	MATTERS
LIABILITY	(Non-Prisoner)	[] 535 DEATH PENALTY	LITIGATION	26 USC 7609	[] 895 FREEDOM OF
[] 196 FRANCHISE		[] 540 MANDAMUS & OTHER	[] 791 EMPL RET INC		INFORMATION ACT
			SECURITY ACT (ERISA)		[] 896 ARBITRATION
REAL PROPERTY	[] 441 VOTING	PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS	IMMIGRATION		[] 899 ADMINISTRATIVE
[] 210 LAND	[] 442 EMPLOYMENT	[] 550 CIVIL RIGHTS	[] 462 NATURALIZATION		PROCEDURE ACT/REVIEW OR
CONDEMNATION	[] 443 HOUSING/	[] 555 PRISON CONDITION	APPLICATION		APPEAL OF AGENCY DECISION
[] 220 FORECLOSURE	ACCOMMODATIONS	[] 560 CIVIL DETAINEE	[] 465 OTHER IMMIGRATION		
[] 230 RENT LEASE &	[] 445 AMERICANS WITH	CONDITIONS OF CONFINEMENT	ACTIONS		[] 950 CONSTITUTIONALITY OF
EJECTMENT	DISABILITIES -				STATE STATUTES
[] 240 TORTS TO LAND	EMPLOYMENT				
[] 245 TORT PRODUCT	[] 446 AMERICANS WITH				
LIABILITY	DISABILITIES -OTHER				
[] 290 ALL OTHER	[] 448 EDUCATION				
REAL PROPERTY					

Check if demanded in complaint:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION
UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DO YOU CLAIM THIS CASE IS RELATED TO A CIVIL CASE NOW PENDING IN S.D.N.Y.?
IF SO, STATE:

DEMAND \$ _____ OTHER _____ JUDGE _____ DOCKET NUMBER _____

Check YES only if demanded in complaint

JURY DEMAND: ☐ YES ☒ NO

NOTE: You must also submit at the time of filing the Statement of Relatedness form (Form IH-32).

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ORIGIN

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding
 ☐ 2 Removed from State Court
 ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
 ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened
 ☐ 5 Transferred from (Specify District)
 ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation
 ☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judge Judgment
- ☐ a. all parties represented
☐ b. At least one party is pro se.

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BASIS OF JURISDICTION

IF DIVERSITY, INDICATE CITIZENSHIP BELOW.

- ☐ 1 U.S. PLAINTIFF
 ☐ 2 U.S. DEFENDANT
 ☒ 3 FEDERAL QUESTION (U.S. NOT A PARTY)
 ☐ 4 DIVERSITY

CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (FOR DIVERSITY CASES ONLY)

(Place an [X] in one box for Plaintiff and one box for Defendant)

CITIZEN OF THIS STATE	PTF [] 1	DEF [] 1	CITIZEN OR SUBJECT OF A FOREIGN COUNTRY	PTF [] 3	DEF [] 3	INCORPORATED and PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN ANOTHER STATE	PTF [] 5	DEF [] 5
CITIZEN OF ANOTHER STATE	[] 2	[] 2	INCORPORATED or PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN THIS STATE	[] 4	[] 4	FOREIGN NATION	[] 6	[] 6

PLAINTIFF(S) ADDRESS(ES) AND COUNTY(IES)

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Tesoro Far East Maritime Company
19100 Ridgewood Parkway
San Antonio, Texas 78259.

DEFENDANT(S) ADDRESS UNKNOWN

REPRESENTATION IS HEREBY MADE THAT, AT THIS TIME, I HAVE BEEN UNABLE, WITH REASONABLE DILIGENCE, TO ASCERTAIN THE RESIDENCE ADDRESSES OF THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANTS:

Check one: THIS ACTION SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO: ☐ WHITE PLAINS ☒ MANHATTAN

(DO NOT check either box if this a PRISONER PETITION/PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT.)

DATE 051616

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN THIS DISTRICT

[] NO

☒ YES (DATE ADMITTED Mo. October Yr. 1996)

Attorney Bar Code #

RECEIPT #



Magistrate Judge is to be designated by the Clerk of the Court.

Magistrate Judge _____ is so Designated.

Ruby J. Krajick, Clerk of Court by _____ Deputy Clerk, DATED _____.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT (NEW YORK SOUTHERN)